

other teams. Now parents and young people are receiving recreational activity from curling. Those who play from here go to Tweed.

1977- A freak snow storm hit the area around the first of May when about two inches of wet snow fell. — actual date May 8.

June 29 - Thurlow Council instituted trash pickup. With the new system residents will pay \$15. - 20 through their taxes for the service. The additional tax assessment will start next year. Contracts for the new garbage collection system has been awarded to two Thurlow township residents, Glen Brough and Alan Blackburn of B and B sanitation

Thurlow residents get trash pickups but taxes to rise

By RON STANAITIS
Staff Reporter

CANNIFTON- Thurlow township residents will have a regular garbage pickup service for the first time starting next month.

Township council recently decided to institute a compacted garbage pickup service for township residents with the new service commencing in the coming weeks. Advertisements will be placed in the local media as to the hours of pickup and pickup routes.

Council members have been concerned for some time about the heavy demand placed on the present disposal site at Mudcat Lane and instituted the new system to increase the longevity of the disposal site another 8-10 years. Council chose the new system as an alternative to finding a new disposal site in several years because of the present system.

In the past, private collectors have always been used and township residents had a choice if they subscribed to their pickup services. With the new system residents will pay \$15-20 through their taxes for the service. This additional tax assessment will start next year.

Township Reeve Ken Yorke noted operation of the present disposal site last year amounted to more than \$17,000.

Contract for the new garbage collection system has been awarded to two Thurlow township residents, Glen Brough and Alan Blackburn of B and B Sanitation.

The new pickup system will be similar to the systems which are presently in operation in Sidney Township and Ameliasburg.

The disposal site still be open regular hours during Monday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoons and all day Saturday for private dumpings of larger items.

Thurlow tackles cleanup

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CANNIFTON- A variety of cleanup projects may be tackled in Thurlow Township thanks to a \$14,330 provincial rural incentives grant made to Thurlow Township.

Council will study the various needs of the township which could be filled by the grant in the coming weeks before deciding exactly how the grant will be used.

A sum of \$114,000 has been approved under a general Hastings county project "rural beautification in townships" and each township in Hastings County will receive a basic gross allocation of \$2,000 to use on approved projects. Additional funds will be

allocated on the basis of the general county levy for 1977.

Purpose of the program is to provide employment and assist townships with programs they do not have in current works programs and budgets. Funds can be used to expand programs but programs cannot be duplicated.

Projects which will be considered in Thurlow township include the cutting down of dead elm trees, the clean up of cemeteries, the cutting of bush by roadways and the general beautification of the township.

Reeve Ken Yorke said council members are open to suggestions about how the money could be spent.

Township hopes to correct dangerous curve in road

CANNIFTON- A dangerous curve at Honeywell's Corner on the 5th concession of Thurlow Township will be remedied by the end of the summer.

Members of Thurlow Township recommended work be done on the road because of several serious accidents occurring at the location in the past few years.

George Beer, deputy reeve of Thurlow stated the road will be widened at Honeywell's Corner and turnoff lanes, curbs and gutters will be built by the Ministry of Transportation.

"The work will increase drivers vision when they are turning," said Beer.

Concern for the location has been aired several times in the past by residents of Thurlow Township. Council also made a request to the ministry of transportation and communications to take immediate action to correct a portion of Highway 2 near lots 30 and 31 because it is an accident prone area as well.

George Beer noted council had made several requests for improvement of the road location.

Recreation receives boost

CANNIFTON-Recreation in Thurlow Township received a boost in the arm this week with the announcement of two ministry of culture and recreation grants to aid recreation programs.

In total \$2,500 has been awarded the township to aid in staffing costs of two summer recreation projects; Pioneer Days and a swimming instruction program.

Pioneer Days is a program running from July 5 to August 11 at 14 different locations throughout the township.

Designed to teach

children up to the ages of nine to be innovative and resourceful, the program involves pioneer themes. The program which runs Tuesday and Thursday mornings involves children in pioneer crafts and pioneer games and involves a total of 24 staff people.

The swimming instruction program gets under way August 15 at the Blackhawk swimming pool and involves bussing over 300 children into Belleville from various areas of the township. There will be five swimming instructors involved with the program.

Following the announcement of the "clean up" project, the Jones Cemetery was cleaned up and the road way made passable for anyone wishing to visit this pioneer burial site. It will now remain with relatives of those buried there to keep the cemetery tidy.

Jan. 28 1978 will be remembered as the day of the blizzard.